purified form.

c) producing said molecule in substantially isolated and

55 (Thrice-amended). A DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide in accordance with claim 69, selected from the group consisting of:

- (i) a cDNA sequence comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1;
- (ii) a cDNA sequence comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:6;
- (iii) a cDNA sequence comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4;
- (iv) a fragment of a sequence of (i)-(iii) which encodes a polypeptide that binds to TRAF2 and either inhibits or increases the activity of NF-kB;
- (v) a DNA sequence capable of hybridization to a sequence of (i)-(iv) under moderately stringent conditions and which encodes a polypeptide that binds to TRAF2 and either inhibits or increases the activity of NF- $\kappa$ B; and
- (vi) any DNA sequence other than those defined in (i)-(v) which encodes a polypeptide in accordance with claim 69.

## Please add new claims 70 and 71 as follows:

--70(New). A polypeptide in accordance with claim 62, wherein said analog is one which differs from the sequence of SEQ ID NO:7 by a single conservative substitution selected from the group of conservative substitutions set forth in Tables 1A and 1B.--

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--71(New). A polypeptide in accordance with claim 70, wherein said single conservative substitution is between an alanine and a proline residue.--